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SUBJECT: REFUGEES IN ANGOLA

REF: GENEVA 7371

1. U.S. MISSION SHOULD REPLY TO LETTER FROM UNHCR ON CAPE
VERDIAN REFUGEES AT NOVA LISBON ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

2. U.S.G. SHARES UNHCR CONCERN OVER SITUATION OF PERSONS
REQUIRING EVACUATION FROM ANGOLA AND HAS PROVIDED TWO AIR
CRAFT TO ASSIST IN AIRLIFT. BOTH ARE OPERATING ON FULL

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SCHEDULE IN CONJUNCTION WITH AIRCRAFT MADE AVAILABLE FROM

OTHER SOURCES AND HAVE BEEN ASSISTING IN AIRLIFT FROM NOVA LISBON.

3. IN CONNECTION WITH UNHCR APPEAL FOR SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CAPE VERDIANS FROM NOVA LISBON, IT WOULD APPEAR TO BE A MATTER OF OBTAINING A CHARTER AIRCRAFT ON SHORT NOTICE TO AUGMENT PRESENT AIRLIFT. UNHCR HAS INDICATED THAT INTERNATIONAL FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES THE BEST AND QUICKEST SOLUTION IS FOR UNHCR TO REQUEST ICEM TO ARRANGE FOR A CHARTER IMMEDIATELY. ICEM HAS THIS CAPACITY AND LONG EXPERIENCE IN RESPONDING TO SUCH EMERGENCIES. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE 1,000 OR SO CAPE VERDIANS WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENT AIR

LIFT TO LUANDA FOR ONWARD MOVEMENT LATER ON. IF, HOWEVER, UNHCR HAS CONCLUDED THAT AN ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT IS NOW REQUIRED, THEN ICEM SHOULD BE ABLE PROMPTLY TO ACCOMMODATE THIS REQUEST.

4. MISSION SHOULD REPORT UNHCR REACTION ASAP. KISSINGER

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